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12 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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14 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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15 HARRY LEMASTER and CAROLYN  
16 LEMASTER,

17 Plaintiffs,

18 v.

19 ALLIS-CHALMERS CORPORATION  
20 PRODUCT LIABILITY TRUST, et al.,

21 Defendants.

CV 08 CASE NO. 3316

CERTIFICATION OF RELATED CASES

22 TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT AND TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF  
23 RECORD:

24 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Local Rule 3-12, defendant RELIANCE  
25 ELECTRIC COMPANY ("RELIANCE") hereby notifies the Court that the above-entitled action  
26 appears to involve all or a material part of the same subject matter as other actions which are  
27 pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, where all  
28 Federal Court asbestos personal injury actions have been centralized pursuant to the Order of the  
judicial panel on multi-district litigation for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings  
pursuant to U.S.C. § 1407 ("MDL Transfer Order").

In its MDL Transfer Order, the judicial panel found that the consolidated actions, similar  
to the instant case, dealt with common questions of fact relating to injuries or wrongful death

1 allegedly caused by exposure to asbestos, “and that centralization under § 1407 in the Eastern  
2 District of Pennsylvania will best serve the convenience of the parties and witnesses and promote  
3 the just and efficient conduct of this litigation.” *Fung v. Abex Corp.* 816 F.Supp. 569, 573  
4 (N.D. Cal. 1992). The MDL Transfer Order also applies to “tag-along actions,” or actions  
5 involving common questions of fact filed after the January 1991 filings of the Panel’s Order to  
6 Show Cause. See RELIANCE’s Notice of Tag-Along Action filed concurrently herewith.

7 Accordingly, because the above-entitled case involves a claim for personal injuries  
8 allegedly caused by exposure to asbestos, RELIANCE requests that this action be transferred to  
9 the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania pursuant to the multi-  
10 district litigation procedures to conserve resources and promote an efficient determination of the  
11 action.

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13 DATED: July 9, 2008

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